

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 MEXICO 02258 241954Z

ACTION EB-08

INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 EUR-12 NEA-10 ISO-00 ERDA-05 AID-05

CEA-01 CIAE-00 CIEP-01 COME-00 DODE-00 FPC-01 H-01

INR-07 INT-05 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 OMB-01 PM-04

USIA-06 OES-06 SP-02 SS-15 STR-04 TRSE-00 ACDA-07

FEA-01 PA-01 PRS-01 IO-13 /132 W

-----250226 031756 /67

R 241857Z FEB 77

FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0505

INFO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY VIENNA

ALL US CONSULATES IN MEXICO VIA POUCH

C O N F I D E N T I A L MEXICO 2258

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG IR MX

SUBJECT: STATEMENT BY IRANIAN CHARGE IN MEXICO

REF: A) MEXICO 1797 B) TEHRAN 1547

1. AT SOCIAL EVENT DAY AFTER NEWS ARTICLE ON IRANIAN
"WITHDRAWAL" FROM PERSIAN GULF (REFTEL A), IRANIAN CHARGE
FARADJ PANAHY TOOK INITIATIVE IN EXPLAINING TO EMBOFF AP-
PARENT MISQUOTES IN NEWS ARTICLE. PANAHY, WHO WAS PRESENTING
A VISITING DIGNITARY TO THE PRESS, STATED THAT UPON
QUESTIONING HE MERELY USED QUOTES FROM RECENT SHAH STATEMENTS
AS EXPLAINED IN REFTEL B.

2. PANAHY WAS CONCERNED AT THE TONE EXPRESSED BY THE
EXCELSIOR ARTICLE AND SENT A LETTER OF CLARIFICATION IN WHICH
HE REITERATED IDEA OF NEED TO REDUCE MILITARY EXPENDITURES IF
PETROLEUM PRICE NOT UNIFIED. HOWEVER, CLARIFYING LETTER
STRESSED THAT IRAN HAD NO INTENTION OF PASSING DEFENSE OF ITS
OWN SHORES TO THE US.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 MEXICO 02258 241954Z

3. PANAHY EXPLAINED TO EMBOFF THAT HIS REFERENCE TO A
POSSIBLE 7.5 PERCENT UNIFIED PRICE INCREASE WAS HIS OWN SPECU-
LATION OF WHAT QATAR HAD OFFERED IN SECRET TALKS WITH
IRAN- OFFER WHICH HE SAID IS NOW MADE OBSOLETE BY SAUDI
ARABI'S RENEWED REFUSAL TO RAISE ITS PRICES BEYOND 5 PERCENT.

4. COMMENT: PANAHY WAS CLEARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
PRESS COVERAGE OF HIS COMMENTS NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF
THE EXAGGERATED TONE BUT ALSO POSSIBLY BECAUSE PANAHY
APPEARED MORE OUT-FRONT THAN HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE
PREFERRED.
THOMPSON

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PETROLEUM, TRADE DISCRIMINATION, THREATS, PRICES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 24-Feb-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977MEXICO02258
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770065-0116
Format: TEL
From: MEXICO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770213/aaaaalvg.tel
Line Count: 68
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 4f68c1bf-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EB
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 MEXICO 1797, 77 TEHRAN 1547
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 10-Feb-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3242135
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: STATEMENT BY IRANIAN CHARGE IN MEXICO
TAGS: ENRG, IR, MX, (PAHLAVI, MOHAMMAD REZA)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/4f68c1bf-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009